

HUMOR AND WIT.

Taken Down Considerably.

I took her tiny hand to mine;
I embraced her gentle form;
I vowed to shield her from the wind
And from the world's cold storm.
She placed her beautiful eyes on me;
The pearls that did flow,
And with her angel voice
She whispered in my ear—"Go home and
mind your business. If I ever catch you here
again I'll broomstick you."

The discovery has been made that
without a mouth a man can neither eat,
drink, talk, kiss the girls, nor chew to-
bacco.

An impertinent fellow wishes to know
if you ever sat down to tea where skim
milk was on the table, without being
asked, "Do you take cream?"

A Nevada paper says that a "zephyr"
came into Virginia city, took up a 2200
pound ear of the railroad track, and
carried it over house-tops and every-
thing, and dumped it down half a mile
off. Gentle zephyr!

"THE DICKENS!"—Mr. A. N. Dick-
ens, brother of Charles Dickens, the
great English novelist, has been made
the father of three children at one birth.
The "Great Expectations" of the uncle
are more than realized, "which they
was."—[Chicago Journal.]

Two lawyers having a dispute, one
said to the other who was a dwarf:
"If you are not more civil I'll put
you in my pocket."

"In that case," replied the little one
"you will have more law in your pocket
than you ever had in your head."

FAIRS.—A State fair is a queen; an
agricultural fair is a farmer's daughter;
a church fair is a parson's wife; an ed-
itor's fair is the best looking girl he can
get hold of; a charity fair is a female
pauper; and the most unpopular fare
in the universe is boarding-house fare.

A clergyman lately addressed his fe-
male auditory as follows:

"Be not proud that the blessed Lord
paid your sex the distinguished honor
of appearing first to a female after the
resurrection, for it was only done that
the glad tidings might spread all the
sooner."

A Dutchman related his marvelous
escape from drowning, where thirteen of
his companions were lost by the upset-
ting of a boat, and he alone saved:

"And how did you escape their fate?"

"I didn't go in the poto," was the
Dutchman's placid reply.

GRATIS.—Every man ought to pay
his debts, if he can. Every man ought
to get married, if he can. Every man
should do his own work to suit his cus-
tomers, if he can. Every wife should
sometimes hold her tongue, if she can.
Every lawyer should sometimes tell
the truth, if he can. Every man ought
to mind his own business and let other
people's alone, if they can.

"ARRAH, Pat, and why did I marry
ye, just tell me that—for it's meself
that's had to maintain ye ever since the
blessed day that father O'Flannigan
sint me to yer home." "Swate jewel,"
replied Pat, "an' it's meself that hopes
I may live to see the day that you're a
widow waping over the cowlid sod that
kivers me—thin, by Saint Patrick, I'll
see how you git along widout me, hon-
ey."

CAMP MEETING ANECDOTE.—At a
camp meeting a number of ladies con-
tinued standing on the benches, notwith-
standing the frequent hints from the
minister to sit down. A reverend old
gentleman, noted for his good humor,
arose and said:

"I think if those ladies standing on
the benches, knew they had holes in
their stockings, they would sit down."

This address had the desired effect—
there was an immediate sinking into
the seats.

A young minister standing behind
him, and blushing to the temples, said:
"O, brother, how could you say
that?"

"Say that?" said the old gentleman,
"it's a fact—if they had'n't holes in
their stockings, I'd like to know how
they could get them on."

A Pair of Spasms.

The Spiritual Harbinger lucidly says:
In the twelfth hour of the glory of
God, the life of God, the Lord in the
God, the Holy Procedure shall crown
the Triune Creator with the discursive
illumination. Then shall the creation
in its effulgence, above the divine seraph-
im, arise into the disclosure into one
comprehensive revolving galaxy of su-
preme created beatitude.

To which the Cayuga Chief learn-
edly responds:

Then shall blockheadism—the jack-
assical dome of discursive procedure—
above the all-fired great leather fungus
of Peter, Nipiniyo, the great goose-
cloviser, rise into the dome dis-
cursive, equal, co-extensive and
comprehensive, mixtures into one grand
into nothing, and re- shall assimilate
tailed pussy-cat after the place where
her tail was.

THE HOUSEHOLD.

What Young People Ought to Know.

The best inheritance which the par-
ents can give their children is the ability
to help and take care of themselves.
This is better than a hundred thousand
dollars apiece. In any trouble or diffi-
culty, they have two excellent servants in
the shape of two hands. Those who can
do nothing, and have to be waited on,
are helpless and easily disheartened in
the misfortunes of life. Those who are
active and hardy meet trouble with a
cheerful face and easily surmount them.
Let young people, therefore, learn to do
as many things as possible. Every boy
should know how, sooner or later—

1. To dress himself, black his own
boots, cut his brother's hair, wind a
watch, sew on a button, make a bed,
and keep the clothes in order.
2. To harness a horse, grease a wagon,
and harness a team.
3. To carve and wait on table.
4. To milk the cows, shear the sheep,
and dress a veal or mutton.
5. To reckon money and keep ac-
counts correctly, and according to good
book-keeping rules.
6. To write a neat and appropriate,
briefly-expressed business letter, in a
good hand, fold, and subscribe it prop-
erly, and write contracts.
7. To plow, sow grain and grass,
drive a mowing machine, build a neat
stack, and pitch hay.
8. To put up a package, build a fire,
mend broken tools, whitewash a wall,
and regulate a clock.

Every girl should know how—

1. To sew and knit.
2. To mend clothes neatly.
3. To make beds.
4. To dress her own hair.
5. To wash the dishes and sweep the
carpets.
6. To make good bread and perform
all plain cooking.
7. To keep her rooms, drawers and
closets in order.
8. To work a sewing machine.
9. To make good butter and cheese.
10. To make a dress and children's
clothing.
11. To keep accounts and calculate
interest.
12. To write, fold and subscribe let-
ters properly.
13. To nurse the sick efficiently, and
not faint at the sight of a drop of blood.
14. To be ready to render efficient aid
and comfort to those in trouble, and in
an unostentatious way.
15. To receive and entertain visitors
in the absence or sickness of her mother.

A young lady who can do all these
things well, and who is always ready to
render aid to the afflicted, and mitigate
the perplexities of those around her, will
bring more comfort to others and hap-
piness to herself, and be more esteemed,
than if she only knew how to dance,
sing, and play on the piano.

—[Home Monthly.]

A Good Hint for Boys and Girls

Sweeping is unpleasant and un-
healthy work. Dust was not made to
breathe. Now, nearly or quite half the
amount of dust can be avoided. How?
Keep the litter and mud out of the house.
Do not bring it in on your shoes; then
it will not have to be pushed out with a
broom. The next time you go to a
neighbor's keep your shoes as clean as
possible, but if you get them muddy,
look for a scraper and mat to wipe them,
and if you can find none, don't go into
the house unless it is necessary; do
your errand at the door, and say, "my
shoes are muddy, I will not go in." If
you are particular to clean your shoes
other men and boys will be so, when they
come to your house. And as the price
of brooms is now very high, you may
save as much as three a week on the
wear of them, just by keeping your
shoes clean; I think you will save more
than that on your shoes, for the cleaner
they are kept the longer they will last.
The mud takes the oil from them, ren-
ders them very hard and unpleasant to
the wearer, they will soon crack, and
you must have a new pair. Now, in-
stead of all this trouble you cause your
mother, in removing dirt by sweeping,
show her that you can do something to
lessen her labor by learning to be al-
ways neat and tidy. —[American Agri-
culturist.]

WHY MEN BECOME BALD.—Because

they wear close hats or caps. Women
are never bald; except by disease. They
do not wear close hats and caps. Men
never lose a hair below where the hat
touches the head, not if they have been
bald twenty years. The close hat holds
the heat and perspiration. Therefore
the glands become weak, the hair falls
out. What will restore it? Nothing
after the scalp becomes shiny. But
in process of falling out, or recently lost,
the following is the best. Wash the
head freely with cold water once or
twice a day. Wear a thoroughly venti-
lated hat. This is the best means to ar-
rest the loss, and restore what is suscep-
tible of restoration.

GREAT thoughts are not produced
amid noise and mirth. The mind's
thunderbolts, like those of the clouds,
are forged in silence and darkness.

FARM AND GARDEN.

[Written for the Holt County Sentinel.] Fruit Culture—Pears.

The season is arriving when our far-
mers are wanting to plant fruit trees,
and having now an excellent medium in
our **HOLT COUNTY SENTINEL**, through
which we can communicate from expe-
rience, I hereby contribute my views as
to the adaptation of pear trees to our
county.

There is no doubt in my mind that
by proper cultivation of this delicious
fruit an abundant supply can be raised,
and as the cultivation seems not to be
well understood, I propose to offer a few
suggestions, first, in regard to planting,
and on the culture afterwards.

The roots of the pear have but few
lateral, except when grown on shallow,
rich soil, and in transplanting it is
therefore a requisite to secure as much
of the large root as possible. If, in tak-
ing up, they are mostly destroyed the
branches will have to be shortened in,
and cut out, which, indeed, is advisable
under all circumstances. On the quince
root, when well grown, there will need
little attention, except to head back to
a regular shape and prune smooth the
ends of each root. In setting out be
careful to know that you are planting
a fruit tree and not a fence post. The
holes should be at least four feet in di-
ameter and eighteen inches deep; the
soil, well pulverized. Having prepared
the place and the soil, we next proceed
to plant the tree by spreading the roots
as nearly as possible in the same posi-
tion they stood before being removed.

One man should scatter in carefully the
fine earth while another holds the body
with one hand and with the other care-
fully presses the earth around and be-
neath every root, taking care to keep
the small roots and fibres each in its
place, lifting them as the work pro-
gresses so that their ends are horizontal
with their base. After the roots are
well covered throw a pail or two of
water in the hole, let it settle and fill up
avoiding all treading or other pressure
around the tree other than that made by
the hand in firmly placing the earth
among the roots. In the process leave
the earth, if the planting be done in the
spring, level around the tree and with
the surrounding surface; if planted in
the fall, earth up a little mound around
the stem end, and over the entire circle
of roots, to be drawn away again in the
spring. In our dry and warm summer
climate we should make it a universal
practice to *mulch* all newly planted
trees, as it keeps the roots cool and
moist and prevents weeds from growing.
To some extent mulching may be done
by throwing three or four inches deep
of half-decayed stable manure or litter
around the tree. In dry times fruit
trees will derive vast benefits from a
liberal syringing over head in the even-
ing with a hand or garden syringe. This
watering refreshes the trees, drives
away insects, mildew &c., and washes
off dust and filth that may accumulate
on the foliage and fill up the pores.
High manuring in our rich soils should
not be practiced, as it makes the tree
put forth long pithy shoots, which are
not only apt to be winter killed but also
liable to blight; the soil, however,
around pear trees, should be kept in a
clean friable condition by the frequent
use of the hoe and spade; but in all
these operations the roots must not be
injured.

But I notice that my communication
is getting much more lengthy than I
had expected. If permitted, I will give
some hints on pruning pear trees, and
the best varieties, at some future time.
G. P. L.

OREGON, Mo., Aug 19, 1865.

PURCHASING BEES.—Never purchase
an old stock. The bee is short-lived,
living but a month or two in the summer
—and a swarm is apt to run out in this
way and by accidents, so that it is com-
monly understood that an old swarm
is a light and not very desirable one.
select one a year, or better, two years
old. Such stocks are generally healthy
and heavy—two great requisites.

SAVE your soap-suds and slops from
the kitchen, your spent brine, refuse
salt and other matter and apply to the
garden. Dilute in a drouth, especially
the brine and salt. The effect of this
will be beyond your expectations. Be-
sides you will get rid of an intolerable
nuisance, the slop hole, while the gar-
den gets the benefit. Save in a tub till
wanted to use; and keep the tub covered.
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In Circuit Court of Holt County, April Term,
1865.

John F. Stephenson, plaintiff,

against

R. W. Donnell,
R. C. Donnell,
Wm. A. Caldwell,
D. Cook,
S. B. Huggitt,
Wm. Kaucher, defendants.

NOW at this day comes the plaintiff by his At-
torney, and it appearing to the satisfaction
of the Court that R. W. Donnell cannot be
summoned in this action, it is ordered that pub-
lication be made notifying him that an action has
been commenced against him by Plaintiff in the
Circuit Court of Holt County, in the State of
Missouri; the object and general nature of
which is to enjoin and restrain the defendant,
William Kaucher, Sheriff and Trustee for con-
veying the said thirty acres of Land in Plaintiff's
Petition mentioned, to the purchaser, and that
the sale of the tract including the Plaintiff's
lot, and the proceeds of the sale of the tract
quarter section sold, be applied to the extin-
guishment of the debt in the said deed of trust
first made set forth, that said deed of trust be
entered satisfied, and the defendants be restrain-
ed from bequeathing his title by any other con-
veyance, but if this is not considered with the
judgment of the Court, he prays for all sales to
be set aside, and the land in said first named
deed of trust, excluding the plaintiff purchase,
be sold after due advertisement, and if the same
should not satisfy the indebtedness therein de-
scribed, then for Plaintiff's land to be sold un-
less he satisfy such sum as may remain unpaid
by reason of the insolvency of the co-defendants,
petition received for the land outside of plaintiff's
purchase, and embraced in the deed of trust;
and unless he be and appear at the next term of
this Court, to be held at the Court House in
Oregon, in the county of Holt, on the 16th day
of October, 1865, and on or before the third day
thereof, if the term shall be continued, and if
not then before the end of the term, to plead,
answer or demur to plaintiff's petition, the
same will be taken as confessed, and judgment
rendered accordingly. It is further ordered that
a copy hereof be published according to law.

A true copy. Attest:

Samuel Ensworth, Atty'y.

COURT NOTICE.

State of Missouri, }
County of Holt, } ss

In the Circuit Court of Holt County, Missouri,
in vacation, Aug. 17, 1865.

Allen H. Vories, p't'n,

against

James B. Heard,
William J. Heard, def'ts.

NOW at this day comes the plaintiff in the
above entitled cause, before the undersig-
ned clerk of the circuit court of Holt county, Mo.,
in vacation, and files his petition, an affidavit,
stating amongst other things, that the above
named defendants, James B. Heard and William
J. Heard, are non-residents of this State, it is
therefore ordered by the clerk aforesaid in va-
cation, that publication be made notifying them
that an action has been commenced against
them by Plaintiff and the clerk in the circuit
court of Holt county, and State of Missouri, the
object and general nature of which is a foreclo-
sure of a certain mortgage on the following de-
scribed lands, lying and being in the county of
Holt, and State of Missouri, to-wit: The two
contiguous halves of the south west fractional
quarter, and the south west quarter of the
south east quarter of section (36) thirty in
township (22) sixty-two, of range (88) thirty-
eight; also the north-west fractional quarter of
section (31) thirty-one, township (22) sixty-two
range (88) thirty-eight; and unless they be and
appear at the next term of this Court, to be held
at the court house in Oregon, in said county
of Holt, on the 16th day of October 1865, and on
or before the third day thereof, if the term
shall so long continue, and if not then before
the end of the term, the same will be taken as
confessed, and judgement rendered accordingly.
It is further ordered that a copy hereof be pub-
lished in the Holt County Sentinel, a newspaper
published in the said county of Holt, for four
weeks successively, the last insertion to be at
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